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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Kindly amend the application as follows.

IN THE SPECIFICATION

Please replace the paragraph beginning on page 5, line 1, with the
following rewritten paragraph:

--Fig. 2a-2g illustrates a flow chart of the operation of the system
of Fig. 1 in accordance with the present invention;--

IN THE DRAWINGS

A marked up copy of Figures 2c, 2d, and 2e showing changes in
red are included at the end of Applicants' response.